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WEATHER—GENERALLY FAIR

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FRANK POTTS SCORES ON GOVERNMENT

Opposition Whip from St. John Objects to Tax on Theatrical Patrons.

BEATS OUT THE TWO ATTEMPTS OF GOVT.

With Assistance of Messrs. Sutton and Campbell Mr. Potts Carries Day.

(By George McDade).

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, June 22.—Frank L. Potts, opposition whip and member for St. John, scored a personal triumph in the house today when he was instrumental in having the government measure to provide for a tax on the patrons on the moving picture houses and other theatres of the province withdrawn after two attempts had been made to put the bill through the house. Mr. Potts stood out as the friend of the poorer classes who would have been forced to pay this tax. He fought for their rights like a seasoned member of years' standing and finally succeeded in having the government back down in their determination to force the bill through the house. It was a big victory on Mr. Potts' part and no one will try to take the credit for the withdrawal of the measure away from the energetic party whip from St. John, who scored against great odds.

Mr. Potts Objected.

The bill reached the committee stage of the house this morning and Mr. Potts immediately took the objection that it was not properly before the committee inasmuch as the unanimous consent of the house had not been secured to give the bill its second reading on the same day it had been introduced by the government. But the government would not listen to his objection. Mr. Potts persisted however, in his opposition to the bill, saying he had not been given the ruling as he had been promised by the speaker concerning the point whether the unanimous consent was or was not required to give the bill its second reading. Premier Foster and the attorney-general demanded that the bill be proceeded with, and Mr. Potts after a forceful address moved an amendment providing that no tax should be paid on admissions up to and including twenty-five cents.

The Potts amendment was seconded by Mr. Sutton of Carleton in an able address. Woodstock's former mayor taking occasion to remark that it was a tax on the poor man, that it would also serve to take away from the municipalities the fees they receive from the licenses and that it would be more desirable to tax the big man who was able to pay his share of the revenue. Mr. Sutton was hinting at the lumberman whom he felt should pay more stampage.

Dr. Campbell Opposes.

Dr. Campbell of St. John also shared Mr. Potts' views and told the

HEAVY GERMAN ATTACKS NORTH OF THE AISNE REPULSED BY FRENCH

Assaulting Waves of the Enemy Lose Heavily and Are Hurlled Back to Their Own Trenches—Germans Penetrate One Salient of French Line.

BRITISH DEFEAT RAIDING PARTY DURING NIGHT EAST OF EPEHY

One German Airplane Brought Down and Six Others Driven Down Out of Control—Three British Machines Are Missing—Russians Active.

London, June 22.—The war office communication tonight says: "A hostile raiding party was repulsed during the night east of Epehy. The enemy left several of their dead on our wire entanglements, and a few wounded Germans were made prisoners. "An enemy attempt to capture one of our posts near the Guillemont Farm, in the neighborhood, also failed. "Work in conjunction with our artillery was continued by our airplanes yesterday, and despite the bad weather good results were obtained. In air fighting one German airplane was brought down and six others were driven down out of control. Three of our machines are missing."

Heavy Fighting. Paris, June 22.—Heavy attacks by the Germans north of the Aisne have been repulsed by the French troops with severe casualties, according to the official communication issued tonight.

In the attack, which was along a front of about one and one-quarter miles, the Germans only at one point succeeded in penetrating the French trenches. The communication says: "On the Chemin Des Dames the bombardment of our positions to the south of Fiffaan and in the region of Braye-La-Comme continued up to this morning and was followed by a series of very violent attacks on a front of more than two kilometers extending from the west of the La Rouvere Farm to Epinechevrey."

Used Large Forces.

"The Germans used large forces, composed of special troops, which attacked with stubbornness, despite the heavy losses which were inflicted on them by our fire."

passage of the bill. He explained that there should be no tax on entertainments more than twenty-five cents as it would improve the quality of the entertainment that had been provided. The member for St. John went so far as to threaten the government that he would discuss the bill for hours, saying he would defer prosecution. He said he was strictly within his rights, and he was entering into a long address on the bill when Premier Foster addressed the house and there were not press the measure in view of his honorable friend's objections. And thus it was that Mr. Potts scored again, this time more heavily against the government which sought to put the bill through the house.

After protraction the usual fun was enjoyed by the members. Mr. Potts was put in the chair and there were witty speeches by Hon. Mr. Sweeney, Dr. Campbell, Hon. Mr. Baxter, Mr. Elley and others, while Mr. Legere, the talented member for Gloucester, sang several songs in both French and English. The proceedings were closed with the singing of the Marseillaise and God Save the King.

After consultation the bill was withdrawn by Premier Foster and members generally congratulated Mr. Potts upon having been instrumental in defeating a government measure. The fun commenced in earnest in the afternoon when a motion to re-commit the bill to the committee of the whole was put through by the government while Mr. Potts was absent from his seat. He was summoned from the ante-room and resuming his seat he made vigorous protestations against the enactment of the measure. The member for St. John had some interesting observations to make relative to the premier's somersault on the measure and declared emphatically that he would not agree to the

SMOTHERED IN CAVE-IN

Daniel Driscoll of Fredericton Sat Down at Foot of Sand Bank to Rest.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, June 22.—An accident which occurred here this afternoon at the brickyard of M. Ryan & Sons caused the death of Daniel Driscoll. The deceased was working in a sand pit, and had sat down for a moment to rest, when a mass of sand overhead caved in and struck him, causing instant death. The deceased had been a life long resident of Hanwell Road, and is survived by his wife.

DISORDERS IN RUSSIA

Petrograd, June 22.—There have been disorders among the sailors of the Black Sea fleet at Sebastopol, to visit which the naval members of the American mission to Russia started on Monday.

So far there have been only confused reports as to the scope of the trouble with the sailors. The Reds says the disorders are connected with the retirement of the commander of the fleet, Admiral Kolobak.

ST. JOHN MAN IS FATALLY INJURED

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, June 22.—Struck by a light engine in the C. P. R. yards near Notre Dame and Delormier this evening John Collins, aged 25 years, a car checker in the employ of C.P.R. was so badly injured that his life is despaired of. He had stepped out of the way of a freight train, not noticing the approaching light engine which struck him knocking him down in front of it. The engine passed over him cutting off his leg. He was removed to the Notre Dame hospital where his spine and right leg were found to be fractured.

Trades and Labor Council.

At the regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council, held last evening, the pronouncement of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada was dealt with. The first section was that in relation to the Imperial Munitions Board, and the demand for the re-organization of this board with an equal representation of labor with the employing interests was endorsed by the council, and a copy of the endorsement was sent to Sir Robert Borden and Hon. J. D. Hazen. They also endorsed the stand of the congress against conscription. The section calling for public ownership was also adopted.

Local Baseball.

Heavy slugging by the Shamrocks and loose base running by the Maples were the two factors which decided last night's game in favor of the Shamrocks to camp.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
At Washington—Washington, 6; Philadelphia, 5.
At Chicago—Chicago, 4; Cleveland, 1.
At New York—Boston, 3; New York, 1.
At Detroit—Detroit, 9; St. Louis, 2.
Second game—Detroit, 3; St. Louis, 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
At St. Louis—Cincinnati, 5; St. Louis, 2.
At Boston—Boston, 5; New York, 2.
At Pittsburgh—Pittsburgh, 4; Chicago, 3.
At Philadelphia—Philadelphia, 5; Brooklyn, 3.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE.
At Providence—Toronto, 9; Providence, 6.
At Richmond—Richmond, 8; Buffalo, 8.
At Newark—Newark, 7; Montreal, 4.
At Baltimore—Rochester-Baltimore game played on April 22nd.

HON. GEORGE GRAHAM AND E. W. NESBITT DECIDE TO VOTE FOR CONSCRIPTION

Expected that Division in House of Commons Will Be Reached Before Tuesday and That Many Liberals Will Support Compulsion Measure.

SIR THOMAS WHITE MAKES AN IMPRESSIVE SPEECH FOR BILL

W. F. Cockshutt, Conservative Member for Brantford, Delivers Ringing Patriotic Address—Mr. Carvell Is Missing and Mr. Pugsley Continues Silent.

(By Alfred E. McGinley.)

Ottawa, June 22, (Special to The Standard)—The week in the conscription debate ends with three more Liberals, two from Ontario and one from the west, deciding to support the government measure and oppose the amendment of their leader. In the House today Hon. George P. Graham, Laurier's English-speaking lieutenant, announced that he would support the bill even though that course meant that he should have to temporarily differ from his leader.

In the evening E. W. Nesbitt, of North Oxford, another Liberal, took similar ground. Neither Mr. Graham nor Mr. Nesbitt plunged gracefully. They were grudging in their support, first blaming the government for all the evils of the war, for the failure of recruiting, for the cost of living and even for the unseasonable weather, before they came out with the statement that, in spite of all its shortcomings, the government's conscription measure was the one best designed to meet the need of the day and hour.

Ottawa, June 22.—Hon. George P. Graham in resuming the debate on the conscription measure said that we were asking the men of Canada to be "ready, steady, go." He thought that the house might add a new slogan for its own benefit "be steady, steady." If ever there was a time in the history of this country when men should curb their passions and prejudices simultaneously with their comrades, the time was now and this was the place. Nothing could be gained by recrimination. He took it that every man in the house no matter what province he might come, or from what stock he might come, believed in his country and believed further that the destiny of the country was bound up in its relationship with the British Empire. They might differ on details, but only on details. Should they say or do ought to disturb the harmony that existed among the people of different origin in Canada they would add to the enjoyment of their enemies and detract from the comfort of their friends.

What Liberalism Allows.

He said that Liberalism allowed the fullest freedom of thought to every member who advocated Liberalism, and was different with one who had his absolute consent to take whatever course he thought best at the present time. Every member on neither was slinking away from the Liberal party and the cause which it had always stood for. Mr. Graham claimed that Sir Wilfrid stood where he always stood, as the advocate of the Liberal party and the cause which it had always stood for. He was as anxious about winning this great struggle as he was. He added that he might be wrong and Sir Wilfrid might be right.

Thinks Laurier Wrong.

He was right in 1896 when he stood for the principle of provincial rights. He was right on the question of the Canadian navy. "He may be right in this case, but I think he is not." Continuing Mr. Graham said that the fact that we were today a portion of the British Empire was largely due to the loyalty of the Frenchman of Quebec in years gone by. He said that the French-Canadians were brave, chivalrous, truthful, and above all, logical. Having been told time and again by the government leader and the opposition leader that there will be no conscription in Canada they cannot understand why it has been introduced. Mr. Graham said there were three classes of Canadians, those who had gone to the front, those who could not go and those who ought to go. Of those who had gone nothing too good could be said. Mr. Graham blamed the gov-

CANADA AND U.S. ONE IN FOOD ISSUE

Two Countries Arranging Plans Which Will Be Nearly Alike.

HON. W. J. HANNA GOES TO WASHINGTON

Will Remain Several Days Conferring with Herbert C. Hoover.

Washington, June 22.—Food control in the United States and Canada will be made as nearly alike as conditions in the two countries will permit. In many respects it will amount almost to a joint control. It was said today after a conference between Herbert C. Hoover and Hon. W. J. Hanna, just appointed Canadian food controller.

Food laws already enacted in Canada, Mr. Hanna said, closely approached the administration's food legislation pending in congress. The purpose of his trip to Washington was to permit him to study the American programme, that Canada might follow it as closely as possible. In most respects, Mr. Hanna explained, the United States and Canada have identical food problems. Both are exporters of grain, and both this year will have smaller crops than normal.

Mr. Hanna will remain here several days for conferences with officials of the temporary food administration. He thinks food control will be put into operation in Canada as soon as he returns.

FROM THE VETS.

St. John, June 22, 1917.

Editor of The Standard:

Dear Sir.—We beg to ask you the favor of the publicity of the following: As many people are continually phoning to the War Veterans' room to know if they can get tickets for the Allies Amusement Co., we beg to inform them that we receive no part of the proceeds of this company's picnics, etc. Any fare run for this association will be under our full title—The Great War Veterans' Association of Canada—and tickets will then be sold by the returned soldiers of the city. But regarding the Allies' Amusement Co. we have no connection or benefits from same. Hoping this will correct a wrong impression of the public. We had in one day 29 calls on phone for advice as to whether we were selling tickets.

Yours truly,

THE G. W. V. A. SECRETARY.

CARLETON UNION LODGE.

The members of Carleton Union Lodge are requested to meet in their building on Charlotte street, West, at 1.30 p. m. Sunday, June 24th, for the purpose of attending divine service at St. Paul's church.

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD

The St. John Standard will pay Fifty Dollars reward to the person or persons giving information which will lead to the finding alive of Ronald Totten, missing since Sunday, June 17th.

\$50 REWARD

MISSION CHURCH TO OBSERVE FESTIVAL

Rev. J. S. Brewer of the diocese of Quebec arrived here yesterday to assist Rev. Fr. J. V. Young, priest in charge of the Mission Church of St. John Baptist, Paradise Row, to observe the patronal feast of the church which will be celebrated on Sunday, St. John the Baptist's Day.

A service was held last evening and today will be a quiet day for the members of the parish. There will be addresses by Father Brewer.

Tomorrow there will be celebrations of the Holy Eucharist at 11 and 8 a.m. a solemn celebration at 11 and solemn evensong at 7.

Orin Hayes.

Sussex, June 22.—Orin Hayes, a well to do farmer of Sussex Corner, and one of the oldest and most respected residents of that place, passed away yesterday after a brief illness of pneumonia. The deceased, who was 81 years of age, was well known throughout the maritime provinces as a base of high class carriage horses. He was a man of sterling integrity, a staunch adherent of the Methodist church and a most worthy citizen.

He is survived by three sons, Edward A., of Oshotoke, Ala.; Bernard, of Calgary, and George M., of St. John, and two daughters, Mrs. E. J. Sharp, of Sussex, and Mrs. Nellie J. Hayes, at home. The funeral will be held on Saturday at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. G. Rice will officiate.

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD

The St. John Standard will pay \$50 reward to any person or persons furnishing information which will lead to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties guilty of causing the death of Robert Harris.